

## THE LEGISLATURE.

### Mr. Bouffard's Charges That Members are Bribe Causes a Discussion.

Hon. Geo. Stephens Brings the Matter up and Makes Insinuations Which are Re- sented.

Quebec, March 9.—Mr. Bickerdike, at the opening of the House yesterday, raised a question of privilege on the statement made by Mr. Bouffard that he had been approached and offered \$100. He thought that, for the honor of this House this matter should be cleared up. He wished to set himself right in the eyes of the House on this question.

Hon. G. W. Stephens expressed the opinion that it was no worse for a private member to take a bribe than for a partner of a lawyer to sit in the Private Bills Committee or in the House, while his partner was putting a bill through. The state of things now going on was unendurable, and the Government was to blame, and he took his share of that blame for not looking after this matter sooner.

He thought that each member of the House should come up and take an oath that they were not guilty of any wrong doing in this connection.

Hon. C. Langelier thought this question should not have been raised. They had simply the word of the member for Montmorency, who had made the statement at a rather late hour, and perhaps he would not remember it now. He protested against the insinuation that the members of the House were venal. He saw no reason why a member's partner should not come before the committees of the House, any more than it was wrong for a lawyer to go before his father or brother, who was a judge. He said no member had the right to come before the House and insult its members, as had been done by Hon. G. W. Stephens, without a previous investigation.

Hon. Mr. Marchand said he was not here when the question was raised, but he understood the member had raised the question of privilege on the statement made by the member for Montmorency. He regretted Mr. Bouffard was not in his seat now for he would call on him to name the party who made the offer, and he hoped that when he did come he would give names. As for himself he believed in the members of the House, and would not take stock of such charges, unless proof of them were given.

Hon. L. P. Pelletier, in the absence of the leader of the Opposition, said he coincided with everything said by the Premier. The statements of Hon. G. W. Stephens were an insult to every member of this House without exception. As to the question of partners of members—he said that he could speak without interest, for he had objected to his partners coming before the committee, but he saw no objection to it. He recalled that the hon. member for Huntingdon had attempted to introduce a bill to this effect some years ago, and it had not carried. Hon. Mr. Pelletier made some cutting reference to persons who, when they were not interested in any expropriations were very honest, and believed every one else very dishonest. This was a bad sign.

Hon. G. W. Stephens said this discussion about partners having a right to come before the committee, reminding him of the old adage "qui s'excuse accuse."

JUMPED ON MR. STEPHENS. He was proceeding to say that the lawyers were the worst offenders when Hon. L. P. Pelletier jumped to his feet and called the minister to order. Hon. Mr. Stephens wished to continue, but the ex-Artillery-General held to his point of order. He challenged the member for Huntingdon to make a specific accusation, and not to go on making insinuations against the members of this House, as he has been doing for years. There were people in this House who, when they were not interested in any expropriations before the House, considered all the other members of the House dishonest. When people considered others dishonest it was a bad sign for themselves. The speaker asked what had been the conduct of the hon. gentleman on a certain expropriation which came up quite lately. Did the hon. members of this House think his conduct in that case honest? He called on Hon. G. W. Stephens, if he were not altogether heartless, to either make some specific charge which could be investigated or to cease insulting the members of the House and the lawyers who appeared before the committee.

Hon. G. W. Stephens said he did not know of any specific cases, but there were rumors going around and these might damage the reputation and the honor of the House.

Mr. Weir said the proper remedy would be to have registered parliamentary agents, so that they would have some guarantee of safety. He knew that two of the hon. members of this

House had been approached. He wanted to have a stop put to such boasts as had been made quite lately by a certain magnate in Montreal that he had fixed the Legislature.

Mr. Watts thought any man who had been approached should rise in his seat and disclose the names.

The matter was allowed to drop.

### PARIS EXHIBITION.

Mr. Plante asked for all orders-in-council and correspondence between the Government of the province and the Government of Canada, concerning the Paris exhibition. He dwelt on the importance of having this province well represented at this exhibition, at which the whole world would be represented, and a good exhibit would have the effect of drawing colonists to this country. He regretted to see that the Government had asked for a credit of only three thousand dollars for such an important exposition.

Hon. Mr. Dechene said that the countries only had representation, and it was only after great difficulty that the colonies had obtained space. It was, therefore, impossible for the province to have a special exhibit. The exhibition will be carried out by Canada. The province had had a vote of \$3,000 and had begun preparations, but they found that Canada was to carry out the exhibition. There were two proposals as to the representations of the provinces. Either each would name their own representatives or the federal Government would name them. He regretted that the province could not make a larger exhibit, for it would be most appropriate for this province to display to the country which had first settled this province.

After passing a motion of Hon. C. Langelier's for returns of reports regarding Seigneurial of Lauzon, the House adjourned until 3 p. m.

REFUSED TO HONOR CHEQUES. City of Brandon and the Imperial Bank.

Brandon, March 9.—(Special)—The Imperial Bank yesterday refused to honor the city of Brandon cheques. The Bank had arranged with the city to give the corporation credit to the extent of \$20,000 and the city was to pass a by-law pledging the paying over of its revenues to the bank and allow Mgr. of the bank access to the books of the city treasurer at all times. The debit to the bank had been reduced from \$51,000 to 3 or 4000. Bank officials are annoyed because the city council did not put the bylaw through all its readings at one sitting instead of referring to committee to come up at next meeting.

### STEAMER BURNED.

She Carried a Cargo of Hay, Hogs and Cattle.

Vancouver, March 9.—(Special)—Freight steamer Selkirk was gutted by fire last night at Nanaimo, with a big cargo of hay, hogs and cattle. There were no fatalities.

### DEMAND FOR RAILWAY LABORERS.

Winnipeg, March 9.—(Special)—From present indications it would seem that there will be a heavy demand for railway laborers during the coming summer and wages will be better than usual.

### BRIEFLETS.

Mr. Alex. Ross, of Cookshire, is in town today.

A fancy dress skating carnival will be held at Minto Rink, Lennoxville, Saturday evening.

The city of Ottawa has a bill before the Ontario Legislature asking permission to operate street cars on Sunday. The bill has passed the committee by a vote of 34 to 13.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Farwell and granddaughter leave this afternoon, for Hot Springs, Virginia. They expect to be absent about a month.

POOL TOURNAMENT—There will be a pool tournament at the American House, Saturday evening, 8 o'clock, between a champion player from Syracuse, and local sport, for a gold watch.

An Antiquarian Weapon. "You are an iceberg!" exclaimed her elderly but well preserved adorer, pale with anger and mortification. "A dozen Cupids, with a hundred arrows each, could never find a vulnerable place in your finny heart!"

"Not if they used an old bean to shoot with, Mr. Wellup," coldly replied the young and beautiful Miss Flyppe.—Chicago Tribune.

As Mexicans Do It. "I am very sorry to hear," remarked the curate pensively to one of his parishioners, "that one of the great lights of our church, Brother MacLellan, has become insolvent and as the result will have to close his house of business."

"Another case of 'The Light That Failed,'" added the parishioner as he left the parsonage.—Mexican Herald.

## JUST FROM MANILA

### A British Captain Says Dewey Is Ill and Should Be Ordered Home.

Americans Need More Ships and Men and Expect It Will Take Two Years to Subjugate the Island.

Vancouver, March 9.—(Special)—A distinguished passenger on the Empress of India was Capt. Fraser, of London, England, of the Imperial forces. He has just come from Manila. Upon being interviewed, he said: "I dined with Admiral Dewey prior to leaving for Hong Kong. The Admiral, he says, is in poor health and certainly should be ordered home. He has aged much and his hair is hoary white. He is an unassuming man and a born commander."

Capt. Fraser incidentally learned that it was deemed necessary for more ships and men to be dispatched to his aid. Dewey thinks it will take at least two years to subjugate the natives. Capt. Fraser thinks there will be many advantages for trade in the islands, when they are more civilized.

### OTTAWA ITEMS.

Mounted Police Force to Be Increased—The Cheese Trade—An American Paper Mill for Ottawa.

Ottawa, March 9.—Commissioner Herchmer, of the Mounted Police, is here on official business. It is said the force will have to be increased by 100 men to meet the demands of the public service. Two years ago the present Government reduced the strength despite Mr. Davin's protests.

At the next meeting of the Board of Trade, Mr. James J. McCullough, of the Ottawa Cold Storage and Freezing Company, will introduce a motion to the effect that a competent man be appointed for the purpose of weighing and issuing certificates of weight in all cheese handled in this city for the wholesale market. Mr. McCullough says that next year Ottawa will be made the centre of the cheese trade in the Ottawa Valley, and an endeavor will be made to improve the quality of the goods for the wholesale market.

It is rumored in business circles that a large paper mill will be established in or near Ottawa by a syndicate of New York publishers, who are feeling the effects of the American paper trust. The paper mill will be a very large one and it is stated that representatives of the publishers' syndicate will shortly be in Ottawa to look over the ground.

Water Works Collector Pinard in his annual report states that out of more than 13,000 dwellings in Ottawa there are only 408 unoccupied. This is not quite 3 per cent.

Mr. J. C. McLagan, proprietor of the Vancouver World, speaking on British Columbia affairs, expressed himself as hostile to the Japanese exclusion act passed by the British Columbia Legislature.

Hon. A. G. Blair left today for Boston. He will go to New York before returning to Ottawa.

### NOTES OF THE NEWS.

The Birmingham Post learns that Lord Salisbury will shortly go to Paris in order personally to settle pending Anglo-French questions with President Loubet and Foreign Minister Delcasse.

The Brussels correspondent of the Daily Mail says the greatest secrecy is maintained as to the Queen's malady, and that the sentinels have been ordered to fire upon any unauthorized person who attempts to enter the precincts of the palace.

Sir Claude M. MacDonald, the British minister, has informed the officials of the Chinese Foreign Office that any attempt to repudiate the railroad contract will be regarded as a breach of faith meriting retributive measures. At the same time the minister received Lord Salisbury's assurances of support for China if any other power attempted to force her to repudiate the contract.

Thomas Donaldson, of Bath Beach, known the world over as a champion high diver, dove from the roof of Madison Square Garden, a distance of 85 feet, yesterday afternoon, with probably fatal results. Donaldson travelled for many years with Barnum and Bailey, and has been the star attraction at the Sportsmen's Show now running in the Garden. He has been making two dives daily. The tank is less than eight feet deep, and on two former occasions Donaldson did not have the success expected, and came out of the water with hemorrhages from the nose and ears. Yesterday he lost control of his body and struck with terrible force. He did not come up and when brought to the surface appeared to be dead. He has a fractured skull and the left side of his brain is crushed in. Death is only a question of hours.

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"That won't quite do. Go and get your own heart broken," he said, "and then come again."

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A year later, however, she returned. "Well," she said, choking down a sob, "I have come back to you—heart-broken. I married one of those young men. He treated me shamefully and has deserted me!"

"Ah, that is something like," said the manager, rubbing his hands together. "We are getting on. Only one thing more is necessary, my dear young woman—get your divorce, and then we shall want you."

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## LI HUNG CHANG

Summoned by the Empress Dowager to the Palace.

Vancouver, March 9.—(Special)—The Empress of Japan brings some interesting news from the far east. Li Hung Chang, who recently has been busily occupied in preparing for the conversion of the Yellow River in Shan Tung province, has been ordered by the Empress Dowager to return to Peking at once.

It is said this is owing to uncertainty of foreign and palace politics. Meanwhile Emperor Kawang Hsu appears to be kept alive only at the Dowager Empress' will.

At the instance of the British Consul the murderers of Missionary Fleming were executed at Chung King.

## LARIVIERE VS. RICHMOND.

Judgment Rendered in Favor of the Latter in a Case This Morning.

In the Superior Court this morning, by Mr. Justice White, judgment was rendered in the case of Lariviere vs. the town of Richmond, on two inscriptions in law filed by the plaintiff against the defendants' pleas.

The action is for the sum of \$3000, which the plaintiff alleges to be due to him, under the contract with Lafontaine et al for furnishing the town of Richmond with waterworks system, in which contract it was agreed that upon furnishing the town with the waterworks system the town was to grant Lafontaine et al, and his representatives the exclusive right to supply the town with water, and further to pay them the sum of \$3000. The plaintiff is the assignee of all the rights in said contract of Lafontaine et al, and claims payment of the \$3000.

The defendants by their first plea, plead that the contract and by-law, and also the statute of the Legislature under which the all ultra vires, illegal and null, for the reason that the town of Richmond had no power to enter into such contract, or grant exclusive privileges to any person.

The plaintiff's first inscription en droit is to this first plea, or certain portions of it, and is based substantially upon the ground that by his action he is not endeavoring to assert exclusive privileges but simply for the recovery of a sum of money alleged to be due under the contract.

The Court, however, held that the paragraphs of the plea allege that the whole of the contract is illegal, null and void, and that plaintiff's action is not for the recovery of monies paid, laid out or expended for the benefit of defendants or for a quantum meruit, but is entirely based upon the said contract, and discharged the inscription with costs.

By a second inscription en droit the plaintiff demurs to the seventh paragraph of the second plea of the defendants, by which they allege that by the careless, unskillful and negligent manner in which the conditions of the contract had been carried out, and in which the water works had been constructed they had suffered damage to the extent of \$10,000, which they offered in compensation of the plaintiff's claim of \$3,000, even if the corporation is responsible therefor.

The plaintiff demurred to this plea, on the ground that any such damages could not be offered to offset his claim.

The Court held, that bylaw compensation takes place between debts, which are equally liquidated and demandable, whatever be the cause of consideration of the debts, except in the three cases mentioned in Art. 1190, of the Civil Code, none of which exceptions applied to the present case, and that it would be better able to determine whether the debts could be offset or easily proved after proof had been made.

The second inscription en droit was discharged, the costs, however, to abide the final issue.

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## BRITISH NAVY.

### Expenditure in Connection This Year to be Increased by £3,000,000.

London, March 9.—The Times this morning says: "We understand that the navy estimates will show an increase for the ensuing year of nearly £3,000,000 over last year's total, and will reach almost £26,000,000. It is proposed to add between 4,000 and 5,000 men. The largest share of the increased expenditure, however, is for shipbuilding, repairs and the like."

Commenting editorially upon the foregoing "rather startling statement," the Times says: "It is pretty clear that Sir Michael Hicks-Beach (Chancellor of the Exchequer) will have an admirable opportunity to display his powers as a constructive financier, and we only hope he will rise to the occasion. But he positively must not seek to escape from his difficulties by a further increase in the already oppressive income tax."

### \$1 AND COSTS OR TEN DAYS FOR ASSAULT.

Before Judge Mulvena, in the Magistrate's Court this morning, David Trudel, of Shipton, was fined \$1 and costs or ten days for assault on one Morel, of the same place.

### COMPTON COUNTY COUNCIL.

J. W. Rogers Elected Warden.

J. W. Rogers, mayor of Sawyerville was elected Warden of Compton County yesterday, at a meeting of the County Council, held in Cookshire yesterday.

Mr. C. H. Tams and Geo. Beloin were appointed county auditors.

Mr. E. Roberge, Mayor of Chesham, and F. F. Willard, Mayor of Westbury, were elected county delegates.

A resolution of condolence was passed to the family of the late E. S. Orr, registrar of the county, after which the Council adjourned, the members attending the funeral in a body.

### BRIEFLETS.

Mr. C. G. Wiggett, of Belmont, Arizona, who has been paying a brief visit to his old home in this city, left yesterday on his return to the West. He had intended to spend several months here, but found himself unable to do so, being obliged to return to his business.

### TWELVE PRIZES GIVEN FREE.

The publishers of the RECORD will give free the following twelve prizes to the persons guessing nearest to the number of votes received by the winner in the contest for the most Popular Mayor in the Eastern Townships.

First prize, Gold watch, Waltham Movement, case warranted for 10 years.

Second prize, Nickel Watch, good movement.

3rd to 12th prizes, inclusive, 1 copy "Souvenir of Sherbrooke."

A coupon similar to one printed herewith, will be found in the RECORD on every Thursday up to and including March 9th. There will thus be seven coupons printed. The only conditions of contest are that each guess must be made on one of the coupons clipped from this paper, and no one person is allowed more than seven guesses.

Prizes will be awarded as soon as result of contest is known.

### MOST POPULAR MAYOR IN THE EASTERN TOWNSHIPS.

In order to find out who is the most popular Mayor in the Eastern Townships for the year 1899, the publishers of the DAILY RECORD offer the following prizes to the Mayors receiving the largest number of votes: First prize—Solid gold watch, valued at \$100.

Second prize—Oak office desk, valued at \$35. To every one receiving 12,000 votes, but not a winner of the first or second prize, walking stick, with gold trimmings, suitably engraved, valued at \$10. Also to each Mayor as soon as he receives 1000 votes, one copy of the "History of Compton County, District of St. Francis and Eastern Townships," costing \$4 each.

The conditions of the contest are as follows:

Commencing Monday, January 16th and every publication day up to and including Thursday, March 30th, there will be printed in the RECORD a coupon good for one vote. Every yearly subscription, either new or renewal, at the regular rate of \$2 a year, will receive a special coupon good for 200 votes. Subscriptions at \$1, the six months' rate, will receive a coupon good for 75 votes. These coupons will be issued from January 1st up to six o'clock of the afternoon of Monday, April 3rd.

At 12 o'clock noon on Tuesday, April 4th, the time for receiving votes will close, and the announcement of the result made known as soon as the count is completed.

On every Monday, Wednesday and

## THE "BOARDERS" ENTERTAINED.

A Successful Hockey Season is Brought to a Close by a Supper at the Sherbrooke House.

Though the Magog House is a winner on ice, those who enjoyed the hospitality of Mine Host of the Sherbrooke House last night, will readily admit that when it comes to that important function—the banquet—which follows every well regulated hockey match, the big "hotel" by the station takes no secondary place on the list. It was a complimentary supper by Mr. Rawlins and the Sherbrooke House hockey team, to the Magog House hockey team, and a few of their friends.

Mr. E. H. Crean presided, and to his right and left were the "boarders," victors and vanquished, who when thus united in an attack upon the choicest viands of the Sherbrooke House, handling their weapons in this match with an expertness not less marked than that manifested in their wielding of the stick the other night, formed a combination which furnished a strong argument in favor of the contention that "boarders" are not a paying branch of the hotel business.

When half time was called, the chairman rose and proposed the health of the Queen," which was enthusiastically received.

He then called upon the Sherbrooke House hockey team to honor the toast to the health of the Magog House club. Three cheers and a tiger demonstrated the cordial feeling which exists between these two leading sporting clubs of the city. Capt. J. F. Morkill, of the Magog House champions, acknowledged the compliment, and proposed the health of the Sherbrooke House would-be's, which was received by a cordiality not exceeded by that shown in connection with the last toast.

Speeches, songs and stories continued to be in order until a late hour, when Auld Lang Syne brought to a close what must be considered a most successful hockey season.

### PROTESTANT HOSPITAL.

The lady superintendent acknowledges with thanks, the receipt of a cheque for \$41.80, the proceeds of a hockey match between the boarders of the Sherbrooke House and Magog House.

A number of ladies in Lennoxville have subscribed a small sum each, with which to buy materials, and are meeting once a week during Lent, to make useful garments for the Protestant Hospital.

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Winter Time Table. On and after MONDAY, JAN. 2nd, 1899, trains will run as follows:

LEAVING SHERBROOKE. EXPRESS—Leave Sherbrooke 7:30 a.m., arrive at Dufresne 10:30 a.m., arrive St. Francis 1:30 p.m., arrive Lévis 1:20 p.m., arrive Quebec (Ferry) 1:30 p.m.

Fullman Car from Springfield to Quebec, connecting at Sherbrooke with Pullman car to Post, and through coach, Boston to Quebec by the train. This train runs daily, Sundays excepted.

ACCOMMODATION—Leave Sherbrooke 9:00 a.m., arrive Dufresne 10:15 p.m., arrive Lévis 7:15 a.m., arrive Quebec (Ferry) 7:30 a.m. This train runs daily, Sundays excepted.

SATURDAY NIGHT TRAIN—Leave Sherbrooke 9:15 a.m., arrive Dufresne 10:30 p.m., arrive Lévis 12:00 noon, arrive Tring 12:00 p.m. This train runs daily, Sundays excepted.

TRAINS ARRIVE SHERBROOKE. EXPRESS—Leave Quebec (Ferry) 2:30 p.m., arrive Lévis 2:50 p.m., leave St. Francis 2:10 p.m., arrive Dufresne 10:30 p.m., arrive Sherbrooke 8:30 p.m. Pullman Palace Car Quebec to St. Francis, connecting at Sherbrooke with Pullman Palace Car to Boston, and through coach, Quebec to Boston, by this train. This train runs daily, Sundays excepted.

ACCOMMODATION—Leave 7:00 p.m., arrive Tring 11:00 p.m.; leave Tring 8:50 a.m., arrive Sherbrooke 9:00 a.m. This train leaves daily, Sundays excepted. Saturday night train only runs as far as Tring. Connecting on to Sherbrooke on Monday morning.

WAY FREIGHT—Leave Tring 7:00 a.m., arrive Sherbrooke 3:00 p.m. This train runs daily, Sundays excepted.

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CANADIAN GROWN TOBACCO.

Can Find a Good Market in England If the Product is Handled in the Proper Way.

Windsor, Ont., March 9.—J. N. Wigle, of Ruthven, went to England some months ago to try and find a market there for the tobacco produced in Essex County. Tuesday he returned with P. Bailey, of Liverpool, a man who has been connected with the tobacco trade all his life.

They intend to form a joint stock company to prepare the tobacco for the English market.

"England can use all the tobacco we have on hand and all we can raise in 50 years," said Mr. Wigle, "but the manufacturers insist upon having it supplied to them just as they want it. We are accustomed to selling the leaf entire. The English manufacturer won't look at it in this way. They want it stripped and assorted, as is done in the United States.

"In Essex County, we can raise the very lightest and finest tobaccos, and it could not be distinguished from the best Sumatra wrapper. For the tobacco we raise we can get from 8 to 16 cents a pound in bond."

TO INCREASE SPAIN'S ARMY.

Madrid, March 9.—The Reforma says that the Minister of War, General Polavieja, is urging upon the Cabinet the necessity of increasing the active army and reserve in order to be prepared for eventualities.

THE PLAINS OF ABRAHAM.

Ottawa, March 9.—The Government's lease of the historic Plains of Abraham at Quebec expires in 1901, and if the lease be not renewed the land will be sub-divided into lots and sold for building purposes. The Government is in receipt of representations urging the acquisition of the land as a public property, and Parliament will be asked to express an opinion on the matter if the Government declines to act.

CANADIAN PRODUCTS IN BRITAIN.

London, March 9.—By returns published today, it is gathered that the United Kingdom for February are as follows: Cattle, 1,862, value £30,204; sheep, 463, value £674; wheat, cwt., 187,900, value £58,892; wheat, meal and flour, cwt., 94,500, value £48,156; peas, cwt., 18,800, value £5,417; bacon, cwt., 20,983, value £36,105; hams, cwt., 8048, value £15,048; butter, cwt., 1512, value £6219; cheese, cwt., 10,001, value £22,876; eggs, great hundreds, 888, value £1,368; horses, 34, value £800.

ARMY REORGANIZATION.

Washington, March 9.—Secretary Alger laid his plans for the reorganization of the army before the President at the cabinet meeting Tuesday. They were immediately approved, and the army will be recruited as quickly as possible. The plans, as approved by the President, are as follows:

Total enlistment strength of army, 63,950, the different divisions being in this order: Cavalry, 12,000; artillery, 11,760; infantry, 33,600; non-commissioned staff and band, infantry, artillery, cavalry, 1375; hospital corps, 2700; signal corps, 700; ordnance department, 605; commissary sergeants, 100; post quartermasters' sergeants, 105; electricians for artillery, 75.

RECOMMENDED TO CANADA.

London, March 9.—Four thousand Welsh settlers in the Argentine Republic are sending home bitter complaints about their treatment in that country. Delegates are now in London, and efforts are being made to convince them of the advantages of removal to the Canadian North-West.

ITALY DEMANDS APOLOGY.

Rome, March 9.—The Italian Government is fully determined to obtain an apology from China for the Tsung-Li-Yamen's refusal of the demand of Signor Martino, Italian minister at Peking, of a concession at San Mun Bay, Province of Che-Kiang, to be used as a naval base and coaling station. A squadron of five cruisers, with 100 guns and 1,500 men, will soon arrive at San-Mun Bay.

MAIL MATTER CLASSIFICATION.

Ottawa, March 9.—An important change in the classification of mail matter will go into effect in about ten days' time. The present "fourth-class" which fixes the rate on closed parcels up to 5 pounds in weight at 6 cents for 4 ounces is abolished, and the present fifth-class will become the fourth. This decision has been reached in order to avoid confusion, and to bring the Canadian classification into uniformity with other countries in the postal union. No such classification as the fourth, which is being abolished, is recognized in other countries.

KAISER WILHELM AVERAGED 22.33 KNOTS.

New York, March 9.—The steamer Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse arrived Tuesday from Bremen, Southampton and Cherbourg, making the run of 3148 knots from Cherbourg break-water to Sandy Hook lightship in five days, twenty-one hours and eight minutes, at an average speed of 22.33 knots per hour, and lowering her record from Cherbourg by one hour and twelve minutes. The trip is remarkable from the fact that it was made in the month of March, in winter weather.

WABASH TRAIN HELD UP.

Buffalo, March 9.—Robert F. Kelly, general agent of the Wabash, is accustomed to surprises of any sort, but Monday he received one which made his hair stand up. Wabash train No. 4, due in Buffalo at 5.15 a.m., was half an hour late, and Mr. Kelly was curious to learn the cause of the delay. The mystery was cleared when Mr. Kelly was handed a telegram, which read as follows:

"Windsor, March 6.—No. 4 held here 30 minutes on account of birth of big baby boy in sleeper Pennold."

Mr. Kelly avers that this is the first time an infant held up a Wabash train.

LACROSSE.

The annual meeting of the Sherbrooke Lacrosse Club takes place tonight in the City Hall. It will be an important meeting and there will, doubtless, be a large attendance. The principal business will be the election of officers. Matters in connection with the club and its prospects will come before the meeting. Meeting will begin at 8 o'clock sharp.

BRIEFLETS.

Messrs. Dussault & St. Jean, Sherbrooke, established in 1864, are among the oldest and best known tailors in this province. In addition to an unsurpassed assortment of the finest spring suitings and overcoatings, we have added a ladies' department and make a specialty of tailor-made costumes. Beauty, freshness and brightness prevail, in both departments of our business, at prices to defy competition.

Battles House, Magog, J. E. Taylor, Proprietor. First-class in every respect.

The wheat harvest in South Australia has proved to be much better than was anticipated, the estimated surplus for export being 200,000 tons.

The Magog House, of Sherbrooke, is the leading hotel in the Eastern Townships and is situated about 10 miles from the city. Proprietor: H. H. Ingraham.

The people of Dyea are agitating to be annexed to Canada, and become British subjects.

When in Sherbrooke stop at the American House, J. McDonald, Proprietor.

If all the lands suitable for cultivation of sugar cane were utilized in Cuba the island could produce enough sugar for the entire Western Hemisphere.

The Grand Union Hotel, Montreal, 1914 and 1914 Notre Dame St. This is without doubt the most popular hotel with people from the Eastern Townships that there is in Montreal. Accommodation for 300 guests. Give us a call when in the city. Elevator, steam heat, electric lights. Rates \$1.50 to \$2.00 per day. Geo. E. Fuller, Proprietor. 1-77-523.

The Dominion Government intend building a telegraph line to Dawson City.

The famous El Presidente supplies the most delightful smoke of any cigar made today in Canada. The cause is not far to seek, the manufacturers use only the very choicest Havana in the filling of this cigar. Their large holdings of the celebrated 94 crop enable them to do so. Other less fortunate manufacturers are making a virtue of necessity and producing cigars made from blends of American tobacco, all of which lack the distinctive and pleasing qualities of the genuine Havana leaf, as produced in the famous El Presidente.

Messrs. J. Hill, Richmond; J. Daldo, Windsor Mills, and Wm. Shaw, Island Brook, were at the American House yesterday.

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COMPTON COUNTY.

Messrs. Herbert Rider and C. Oulette have been appointed auditors of the township of Ditchfield and Spaulding.

Mr. O. G. Laberee, formerly of Eaton, who is now in the West, has sold his interest in a mine in Baker City, Oregon, for \$100,000.

Rural Dean Robertson, of Cookshire, who has been suffering from a severe attack of grip, has so far recovered as to be able to resume his duties.

At the general meeting of the Newport Township Council on Monday, the following officials were appointed: Road overseers—No. 1, John McVetty; 2, W. A. Law; 3, J. O. Quinn; 4, Joseph Seal; 5, Wm. Dorman; 6, B. Corrigan; 7, Robert French; 8, Chas. McAlister; 9, E. Dawson; 10, Horace Cairns; 11, Wm. Dubois; 12, Fred. Sunbury; 13, N. Rand; 14, Alfred Swail; 15, L. Westgate; 16, H. A. Stevenson; 17, John Bridgette; 18, Henry Wood; 19, T. O. Cromwell; 20, James Kerr; 21, Geo. Kerr; 22, J. W. Westgate; 23, A. H. Alden; 24, M. Holbrooke. Rural inspector—H. A. Stevenson. Superintendent of poor—C. D. Chaddock. Auditors—S. J. Osgood and R. W. Montgomery. Valuators—E. Learned, W. S. Rand and John Kidd.

AGONCILLO SAVED HIS PAPERS.

London, March 9.—Agoncillo, the Filipino commissioner, who was a passenger on board the wrecked Dominion line steamer Labrador, was asleep when the ship struck, and painfully injured his shoulder in jumping into the boat in which he was conveyed to Skerryvore Lighthouse.

He took with him his portmanteau, in which he saved the most important of his papers. When he left the ship he had on no other clothing than a night shirt and an overcoat.

INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM.

This is to be the Chief Plank in the Platform of the Georgia Populists.

Atlanta, Ga., March 9.—A meeting of the State executive committee of the Populist party was held here yesterday, twenty of the committeemen being present. The principal business of the day was the selection of a chairman to succeed W. F. Carter. It is likely that the issue of the party will be simplified by the probable elimination of all planks but one, the initiative and referendum. For the past two years People's party leaders and newspapers all over the South and West have been urging that this plank be given the first place, saying that it means true democracy, guaranteeing the rule of the people.

ALL WANT A PORTION OF CHINA

European Powers Are Established in a Manner to Enable Them to Take Advantage of Future Eventualities.

Paris, March 9.—The Journal says: All of the Powers have established themselves in China in a manner enabling them to take advantage of eventualities in the near future. Each wants a portion of China—Italy today, Belgium tomorrow. This does not suit the English, who, there as elsewhere, wish to be the sole masters. Italy's endeavor causes France no surprise or displeasure. Our diplomacy is not to put any difficulty in Italy's way, seeing that all European nations are taking up positions in China. This becomes our guarantee that the middle empire has room for all. The competition of the powers affords a technical guarantee which would be difficult to secure if we were alone face to face with the English.

STREET RAILWAYMEN IN TOWN.

Mr. Percival W. Clement, president of the Rutland Railroad Company, and Mr. Edgar Harding, of Boston, arrived in the city last night by special train over the Boston & Maine. They were met at the station by Mr. Smith, superintendent of the Sherbrooke Street Railway Co., in which enterprise both gentlemen are largely interested. A special street railway car was used during the evening, inspecting the road in the city. They spent part of the evening at the residence of Mr. Frank Thompson. In an interview, Mr. Clement said that they were vigorously pushing the construction of the extension of the Rutland Railroad from Burlington across an arm of Lake Champlain, so as to obtain a shorter entrance into Canada. When the full line was completed it would form the shortest route between Montreal and New York. The part of the line to be built across Lake Champlain was to cost in the neighborhood of \$3,000,000. It would take probably another year to build.

CHEMISTS TO EXAMINE BEEF.

New Haven, Conn., March 9.—Unofficial information has reached New Haven to the effect that a professor of chemistry at Yale University has been selected as one of two chemists to analyze specimens of canned beef such as that used in the Cuban campaign.

It was learned yesterday afternoon that Professor Russell H. Chittenden, director of the Sheffield Scientific School of the university, is probably the expert chosen from Yale.

Professor Chittenden said that he had been requested by the War Department to examine specimens of the beef and that he has had some correspondence with Recorder Davis. He added, however, that he had received no notice of his appointment.

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Trains Leave Sherbrooke: MAIL—4.40 a.m. for St. Johnsbury, Concord, N.H., Nashua, Worcester, Boston, Springfield, New York. MIXED—10.00 a.m. Newport 1.05 p.m., St. Johnsbury 2.34 p.m., Concord 6.20 p.m., Boston 8.30 p.m., and Portland, Me., via White Mountain Route, except Sunday, at White River Junction, Springfield, New York.

FROM THE SOUTH—Express leaves Boston 6 a.m.; Worcester 8.04 a.m.; Concord 9.11 a.m.; Portland, Me., 8.45 a.m.; Springfield, 10 a.m.; St. Johnsbury 4.27 p.m.; arriving Sherbrooke 8.25 a.m.

NIGHT EXPRESS—Leaves Boston 8.00 p.m.; Concord 10.10 p.m.; Springfield 8.50 p.m.; Portland, Me., 8.45 p.m.; St. Johnsbury 4.27 p.m.; arriving Sherbrooke 7.15 a.m.

ACCOMMODATION—Leaves Concord, N.H., 10 a.m.; via Plymouth, St. Johnsbury 10.45 a.m.; arriving Newport 12.38 p.m., connecting with Passenger Train leaving New at 1.15 p.m., arriving Sherbrooke 4.15 p.m.

D. J. FLANDERS, Gen'l Pass. and Ticket Agent

SHERBROOKE STREET RAILWAY TIME TABLE

BELT LINE.

Cars run in both directions on the Belt Line and make the circuit every 30 minutes each way, meeting each other and the cars of the other lines at the Sherbrooke House Junction every 20 minutes from 6.25 a.m., till 10.45 p.m.

PARK LINE.

Park Line Car runs between Sherbrooke House Junction and Victoria Park, making the round trip every 30 minutes, and connecting with the cars and outward bound Lennoxville at the Junction.

LENNOXVILLE LINE.

Lennoxville Cars run between the Street Railway Office and Lennoxville, leaving each way every 30 minutes from 7.40 a.m., till 10.45 p.m., and meeting Belt and Park cars at the Junction.

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## Gold Chain FREE!

There is also offered a Gold Chain, warranted for ten years, to every person sending five yearly subscribers to the WEEKLY RECORD. These Chains are sold for \$3 lowest price. Premiums are given, which at the lowest value are worth \$13.

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## J. Levinson.

## UNITED STATES PLEASED.

This is said to be the feeling at Washington Over the Rejection of the Terms of Italy. Washington, March 9.—The State Department was advised some time before the demand became public that Italy was contemplating such a move, and it is believed to be at the instigation of France or Russia. The report that Great Britain is behind Italy in the matter is not credited either by the State Department officials or in the diplomat corps. The programme of the protectionist Powers appears to be to make all the trouble they can in China, and rely upon the confusion to seize upon valuable provinces for themselves. It is shrewdly suspected that Italy is acting as much to restore her prestige in Europe by showing to France, Russia and Germany that she may prove a valuable ally in Asia as she is in any expectation of obtaining valuable privileges in China. Italy's demand for a slice of China would be almost ludicrous if it were not supported by some important Power. The United States is keeping a close watch on the situation, and is gratified by the refusal of the Chinese Government to grant the Italian demand. Our minister at Peking, ex-Representative Conger of Iowa, has been directed to cooperate with the British and Japanese representatives at Peking in resistance to the partition of China. Similar instructions have been given by the Japanese Government to its minister at Peking in regard to cooperation with Great Britain and the United States, and by the British Government with regard to cooperation with Japan and the United States. This is the extent of the agreement among the several Governments. The United States has not indicated that it would go to the point of fighting to prevent the surrender by the Chinese court to extreme demands by Russia and France.

## COATICOOK.

[News items for insertion in the DAILY RECORD will be gladly received by E. L. Sleeper, local correspondent, Coaticook.] March 8.—Mr. S. G. Bush is visiting relatives in town. Mr. W. C. Webster has sold his house and lot on Court street to Mr. Hambly, of Thompson & Hambly, price \$800. It has been reported that nine deer were killed week before last out of a "yard" of sixteen, at Lindsay Pond, Auckland township, about 16 miles from here. If true it is a matter that should be at once reported to the authorities, as the wholesale slaughter of deer in this district is getting altogether too prevalent.

## COOKSHIRE.

March 8.—Mr. J. H. Clary, B.A., of Sudbury, is in town. Miss Helen Learned is visiting Miss Hawes at Lennoxville. The County Council was in session today. A flag-pole has been placed on the cupola of the Academy.

## ASCOT CORNER.

March 8.—Miss Marie Willard and Miss Grace Loomis are spending a few days in North Hatley, attending the Universalist conference. Mr. Frank Atkinson left here on Monday for his former home in Colorado. Mr. George Taylor has sold his farm and moved with his family to Coaticook. Mr. W. Hall and sister, of Stoke Centre, were visiting friends here during the week. Messrs. D. G. Loomis & Sons have found it necessary to add a saw mill to their yards in order to carry on their work. Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Wingate returned to their home in Barton on Friday.

## FUNERAL OF E. S. ORR.

Cookshire, March 8.—The funeral of the late E. S. Orr, registrar of Compton County, took place here this afternoon, at the Methodist church. There was a very large attendance from all parts of the county of old friends and acquaintances. At two o'clock the procession left the house, proceeding to the church. The pastor, Rev. P. H. Allin, had with him on the platform the Revs. J. A. Ellis, Sawyerville; A. H. Farnsworth, Birchton; W. H. Raney, Bury, and F. A. Read, Lennoxville. The bearers were Messrs. S. Osgood, C. Hurd, T. Hurd, W. Wilford, J. H. Taylor and Ayton Cromwell. Mr. Alden Learned had charge of the funeral. The Royal Templars, the C. E. Society and the County Council (adjourning their session) attended in a body. The favorite hymns of the deceased were sung during the service, notably "Listen, the Master beseecheth," and the choir rendered a suitable selection. Rev. Mr. Ellis, of Sawyerville, read the lesson and Mr. Allin preached the sermon, taking for his text, Numbers XXIII, 10. Rev. F. A. Read, a close and intimate friend of the deceased, then added a few words of his appreciation of the sterling Christian integrity of his departed friend, and after the blessing, pronounced by Rev. Mr. Ellis, the funeral procession moved to the cemetery.

## BRIEFLETS.

The Society Union St. Joseph of Sherbrooke will celebrate its annual St. Joseph's feast on Sunday next, the 12th inst., in the St. J. Bte. Church in East Sherbrooke. The Harmony Band will accompany the procession, which will leave the Society's room at 9.30 a.m. Returning, all the members will go to their room, where the president, E. Chartier, will address them. At 7 p.m. the regular monthly meeting will take place. Those who are interested in witnessing a good game of checkers will have a splendid opportunity afforded them tonight, when Brochu and Wiggett will be remedied, as only two games are to be played, giving every opportunity for careful play. The play commences at 8.30 p.m., in Odell's Hall.

## A STRIKE ON THE WHITE PASS RAILWAY.

Skaguay, March 2, via Victoria, B. C., March 9.—Out of the 1400 laborers employed on the construction work of the White Pass Yukon road, 700 are on strike because of a reduction of wages from 35 to 30 cents per hour and an increase of work to ten hours per day. After the men struck, all others were laid off for a few days. The men are coming to Skaguay and are orderly. Fire in Dyea destroyed the Palace and Northern hotels, the Chilcoot tram stables, the Senate saloon and the court house. Loss \$10,000.

## Bed Bugs, the housewives horror, driven out of the house by Persiate Bed Bug Exterminator. It is a liquid, much more effective, searching and cleaner than a powder. Moisten all cracks and crevices in parts infested, and the pest is done away with. At all druggists.

## RICHMOND.

[News items for insertion in the DAILY RECORD will be gladly received by E. R. Jones, local correspondent, Times Office Richmond.] March 9.—We regret to report the death of Mr. Wm. Coburn, of Melbourne, who passed away very suddenly at his residence on Monday evening, aged 75 years.

A very interesting hockey match took place at the rink here on Tuesday night, when the Danville Juniors played a friendly match with the Richmond Juniors. Quite a crowd of spectators were present and a very good exhibition of hockey was shown. The score at the end of the first half standing 2 to 0 in favor of Richmond. In the last half the play was a little rough and when time was called the score stood 8 to 2 in favor of the Richmond Juniors. The event was a return match, Richmond having defeated Danville at Danville on Saturday last by a score of 8 to 3.

## WATERVILLE.

March 9.—On Friday evening, March 10, at 7.30, in St. John's Church, there will be given a diagram lecture, explaining the growth of the Christian Church out of the Jewish Church. D. OF R. TO BE INSTITUTED IN QUEBEC. Quebec, March 9.—Arrangements have been completed for the institution in this city next week of a Rebekah Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. The Grand Master of this Province, Mr. A. W. Staveley, together with Mrs. G. N. Hodge, Sherbrooke, President of the Rebekah Assembly, are expected in town next week to institute the new lodge, which will be a new feature in society affairs in this city, and doubtless add to the influence of the Order here. Already about 50 have signified their intention of joining this new organization, and the prospects of a useful future are very bright.

## WEAK SHOWING OF PROHIBITIONISTS IN PORTLAND, ME.

Portland, Me., March 9.—The decadence of the Prohibitionist party was shown in Monday's election. In a total of 7,395 ballots in Portland only 167 were cast for the Prohibitionist candidates. This being less than 1 per cent., the Prohibitionists will not be entitled to representation on the official ballot in the next election.

## WITHDRAWING MARINES FROM PEKIN.

Pekin, March 9.—The French and Russian ministers have informed the Tsung-li-Yamen that their Governments will shortly withdraw the marines who are guarding the French and Russian Legations. The American marines brought here for the purpose of guarding the United States Legation are under orders to leave Peking.

## ARM PRISONERS THREATENED WITH LYNCHING.

Jefferson City, Mo., March 9.—The most original plan ever presented to a Legislature to discourage lynching has been proposed in the House of Representatives by Mr. Nicholas. His measure would have the sheriff arm prisoners who are threatened with lynching. Any sheriff or deputy failing to protect such prisoner shall be fined not less than \$500 nor more than \$1,000, and shall be dismissed from office.

## Mr. John McNicol is out of town for a day or two.

Mrs. John Dunmore returned yesterday, after a month's visit to her daughter, Mrs. Wm. Badger, of Hanover, N.H. Messrs. H. E. Farwell, Magog; A. D. Farwell and wife, Sand Hill; A. Wheeler, Montreal; R. R. Bartholomew, East Clifton, were at the Albion yesterday.

## Recent arrivals at the Magog House are: W. T. Plaisance, Montreal; P. B. Keens, Agnes, C. C. Bailey, W. W. Bailey, Cookshire; B. D. Lormier, Toronto; R. H. Jamison, J. D. Chalus, M. E. Casey, Geo. Bader, Montreal.

## The recent arrivals at the Continental are: F. A. Little, J. M. Stevenson, East Angus; J. L. P. Houde, Montreal; R. Westgate, East Angus; G. W. Allen, Barnston; H. Gibson, Lewis; N. A. Mansfield, Adamsville; T. Savard, Quebec; A. Daignault, Montreal.

## Late arrivals at the Grand Central are: Geo. Browne, C. G. Mussell, Louis A. Paquette, G. A. Sutherland, E. E. Bouchard, J. B. Rose, Montreal; J. E. Beaulieu, St. Joseph, Beauce; H. H. Livingstone, S. W. Waters, A. E. Peters, Toronto; S. P. Safford, Sutton; C. H. Poole, Capelton.

## Late arrivals at the Sherbrooke House are: C. W. Hodge, Eaton; J. W. Bates, Hamilton; C. Holland, L. Seel, Rutland, Vt.; P. Page, St. Johnsbury; M. A. Shattuck, Lyndonville; H. Laselle, C. C. White, Rutland, Vt.; W. W. Evans, Montreal; W. J. Thompson, Toronto; Geo. B. Meheur, Cripple Creek; Geo. W. Earle, Denver, Col.; and H. McCallum, Montreal.

## ADMIRAL VON KNORR RESIGNS.

Berlin, March 9.—Admiral Von Knorr, commander-in-chief of the navy, has resigned. His intention to take this step was announced last autumn.

## CURFEW ORDINANCE AT GENEVA.

Geneva, N.Y., March 9.—The Common Council of this city has passed a curfew ordinance. It requires children under 16 years of age to keep off the streets after 9 p.m. between April and November and after 8 p.m. between November and April, unless accompanied by parent or guardian or having proper credentials.

## FATAL FRIGHT WHILE READING THE BIBLE.

Hilton, N.Y., March 9.—Mrs. Dennis Tabor died Tuesday morning. On Thursday last she opened a meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union in the Baptist Church in this village. While reading from the Bible she was seized with stage fright and became unconscious, in which state she remained till she died.

## NON-POLYGAMOUS MORMONS AGAINST ROBERTS.

Kirtland, O., March 9.—The re-organized Church of Latter Day Saints (non-polygamous Mormons) has just closed a three days' conference in the old temple here. Delegates were present from several States. Resolutions were adopted protesting against any one guilty of the crime of polygamy or plural marriage being seated or retained as a legislator in the House of Representatives of the United States.

## A SOUTHERN TRUST FUND.

New Orleans, March 9.—The six leading fruit importing firms of New Orleans and Mobile organized a trust yesterday under the title of the Southern Banana Exchange. They include all of the importers except two on the gulf coast. The members of the exchange say that it is organized for the purpose of reducing expenses, doing away with brokers and middlemen and arranging for the better distribution of the fruit. They further say that the trust was organized because, under existing conditions, there was little or no profit in the business.

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